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$10,246
Per Person

This is a sample itinerary and the price is an estimate, used for rough planning purposes only and is subject to change. Actual prices and availability must be finalized by one of our trip planners who will contact and confirm pricing with all accommodations and operators.
Kilimanjaro - Arusha, Tanzania

Mount Kilimanjaro is a dormant volcano that stands 19,000 feet high in Tanzania. It’s Africa’s highest mountain and an impressive sight. It forms the backdrop to Amboseli National Park and the Chyulu Hills Wildlife Preserve in Kenya, and Arusha National Park in Tanzania. The surrounding area is known for some of the largest elephant tusks ever recorded. You can trek to the top of Kilimanjaro on one of two main routes, the Shira route and the Machame route. The Kilimanjaro Airport is serviced by international carriers, and it serves as a gateway to Tanzania’s Northern wildlife highlights including Tarangire National Park, Lake Manyara National Park, Ngorongoro Crater, and the Serengeti National Park. Arusha is a small safari town in close proximity to Kilimanjaro International Airport. If your international flight arrives late in the day, you can stay at some charming coffee plantations and intimate hotels and recharge before setting off on safari the next day. You’re guaranteed a great cup of coffee to send you on your way.

Machweo

Machweo (Swahili for sunset) is perched on a hill offering unparalleled panoramic views across the Maasai steppe, overlooking the Monduli Mountains and providing the unrivalled spectacle of Mount Meru. Machweo is the place to relax and rejuvenate before or after a Tanzanian safari or a Kilimanjaro climb. The accommodation consists of 6 cottage suites, lavishly furnished and ideally positioned for maximum privacy, featuring separate sitting and living area, each accommodating up to 3 guests. Experience the calm setting in tastefully decorated rooms with four poster beds, mosquito nets and en-suite bathrooms. The beautiful main building also houses 3 double honeymoon suites with luxury bathrooms including both bathtub and walk-in shower. The outdoor Jacuzzi and private floodlit swimming pool with lawn bar are the perfect place to prepare or recover in style from your safari or mountain climbing adventure. The Machweo Retreat offers the finest spa & wellness facilities including steam bath, sauna and additional separate swimming pool. To pamper both body and mind Machweo has added a yoga chapter to its Wellness Program. People can either sign in for an individual/couple session or attend the weekly yoga mornings on Saturdays. Sessions are open to both guests and non-guests but advance bookings are essential.

Dining at Machweo is a delight. The food and service is best described as brasserie style with an African touch, mixing traditional French cuisine and the wonderful creativity and inspiration of this continent. The pure taste and flavors of the freshest ingredients are dressed and presented in the best way, elegant and contemporary. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served in the Machweo main building. Clients can choose to sit either outside or inside on the balcony on the 1st floor. On busy days, meals are also served in the bar on the ground floor and around the swimming pool. Guests in the honeymoon suites can opt for a private dinner on their own balcony. A range of activities are on offer during your stay at Machweo Retreat, including bird watching, game drives in the surrounding national parks, balloon safaris, hiking and climbing and various cultural activities. Please note that these activities will incur additional cost.
**Included**

B&B Basis: accommodation, breakfast, early morning coffee & tea on veranda, coffee, tea during breakfast, afternoon tea  
Half Board Basis: accommodation, breakfast and dinner, early morning coffee and tea on veranda, coffee & tea during breakfast, afternoon tea  
Full Board Basis: accommodation, meals, early morning coffee and tea on veranda, coffee & tea during breakfast, afternoon tea, recommended wines and water during lunch & dinner

**Amenities**

Cell Phone Coverage, Ensuite Bathrooms, Hairdryer, Pool, Recharge Facilities, Wi-Fi

**Available at an Additional Cost**

Champagne, premium wines, premium brand spirits, curio shop, laundry, spa treatments, scenic helicopter tours, Hot Air Balloon safaris, game drives, hiking and climbing, access to nearby sports club, bird watching, encounters with local villages, their people and crafts, shopping

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**28 MAR 2020 - 30 MAR 2020 — Tarangire**

**Kilimanjaro - Arusha ➔ Tarangire**  
**Private Road Transfer (5 hours)**

**Tarangire, Tanzania**

Reminiscent of old Africa, Tarangire features red elephants (colored by the bright soil) and baobab trees dot the landscape. In the dry season, clouds of migrating animals come down from the North to drink from the river – zebra, impala, buffalo, giraffe, Beisa oryx, lesser kudu, gerenuk, Thomson’s gazelle and the elusive cheetah.

**Oliver's Camp**

Tarangire National Park is situated approximately 75 miles southwest of Arusha. It is renowned for its diverse bird population, large herds of elephant and majestic baobab trees. The density of game is second only to the Ngorongoro Crater. Each of Tarangire’s seasons has something unique to offer, game viewing in the Great Migration, enjoying walking safaris among diverse flora or dazzling over the bird life. The camp is the perfect base to explore and experience the best of Tanzania. Oliver’s Camp is located in the remote southeastern section of the Tarangire, allowing guests a privacy and exclusivity rarely found anywhere inside a national park. The camp staff offers warm welcomes and a level of expertise on many subjects, including photography, which makes Oliver’s Camp one of the most sought after camps in the region. The camp features 10 beautifully furnished guest tents scattered along the marsh edge with excellent views over the permanent water source. The interiors are rustic with furniture made from the timber of former dhows, lampshades adorned with
Maasai beads, leather-bound books, tree-trunk bedside tables, solar-powered lights and an open canvas wardrobe. Each tent is covered by a traditional thatched roof and offers outdoor shower with indoor toilet and wash facilities. In the evenings, guests can relax in the lounge and library tent or enjoy sundowners around the fireplace after an exciting day. The range of activities on offer at Oliver’s Camp is unique inside a Tanzania national park. Off-roading allows you to get closer to the action, while walking safaris add another unique element to the safari. Walking is the absolute specialty of Oliver’s Camp. The privilege of walking in these natural areas gives you an exhilarating feeling of adventure. Although you will get close to large mammals such as elephants, giraffe, buffalo or even lions, walking safaris are very safe. The experienced guides of Oliver’s Camp and an armed national park ranger will accompany you on every walk.

**Included**

Accommodation, meals, all drinks (except Champagne, cellar wines, premium brand spirits), laundry service, game drives on a private basis (Bushtracks has included a private vehicle and guide at an additional cost), transfers to/from Kuro airstrip, concession fees

**Amenities**

Ensuite Bathrooms, Laundry Included, Local Drinks Included, Recharge Facilities

**Available at an Additional Cost**

Champagne, cellar wines, premium brand spirits, fly camping, walking safaris and night drives on a shared basis (must be booked in advance and subject to availability), curio shop items, Hot Air Balloon safaris

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**31 MAR 2020 - 1 APR 2020 – Manyara**

Tarangire ➔ Manyara
Private Road Transfer (1 hour)

**Manyara, Tanzania**

In the green season (November – June), flamingos flock by the thousands to Lake Manyara to feed on the tiny morsels they filter out of the muddy lake bottom. The area surrounding the lake is rich in wildlife, too. Populations of leopards, lions, elephants, blue monkeys, dik-dik, gazelle, hippo, giraffe, impala, and more call Lake Manyara home all year long.

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The Plantation Lodge

Plantation Lodge rests on the soft, red-brown hills amid the vastness and silence of East Africa. The lodge’s location, between the Ngorongoro Conservation Area and Lake Manyara National Park, promises maximum
safari enjoyment. Plantation Lodge is located 20 minutes from the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Unmatched for its natural variety, there are few places on earth where such a tremendous diversity of landscapes exist inside a region this size. Apart from its wildlife riches, the Ngorongoro Conservation Area (NCA) is also of great archaeological importance, with the remains of some of mankind’s earliest ancestors discovered in the area.

Lake Manyara National park is a 30-minute drive from Plantation Lodge. The lake covers two-thirds of the area of this small park, which offers impressive variety. Elephants, blue monkeys, baboons, hippos, tree-climbing lions as well as numerous birds can be found. Plantation Lodge provides a world of relaxation with 24 rooms generously distributed throughout the flowering garden. Each room has its own style with choice accessories including double bed covering in colorful African bedspreads and surrounded with mosquito netting; wooden bedside tables; cupboard and seating. All of the bedrooms at Plantation Lodge have en-suite bathrooms, simply decorated with a bath and a separate shower, large wooden mirror hangs above a single sink. The white-tiled walls keep the bathrooms bright and the slate floors keep them cool. White towels hang from various rails and a hair dryer sits next to the sink. Plantation Lodge is proud to grow their own vegetables, herbs and fruit so that products from their kitchen are organic and fresh. A range of activities are on offer including guided walks of the coffee plantation, flower farm and vegetable plots, bird watching, and game drives. Massages are also available at additional cost.

Included

Accommodation, meals, bird watching, visit to a coffee plantation, visit to a farm, service charge, concession fees, VAT, Bushtracks will include a private vehicle and guide during your stay at this lodge to provide all your transportation and game viewing activities in the Ngorongoro Crater and Lake Manyara National Park.

Amenities

Cell Phone Coverage, Ensuite Bathrooms, Hairdryer, Laundry Included, Pool, Recharge Facilities, Wi-Fi

Available at an Additional Cost

All drinks, curio shop purchases, private excursions, excursions to Cmpakai Crater, massage treatments, scenic helicopter tours

2 APR 2020 - 4 APR 2020 – Serengeti North

Manyara → Manyara Airstrip
Private Road Transfer (30 minutes)

Manyara Airstrip → Serengeti North
Scheduled Light Aircraft Transfer (1 hour, 10 minutes)

Serengeti North, Tanzania

Imagine immense short-grass plains that run to the horizon. Now imagine the plains filled with so many wildebeest and zebra that they run to the horizon too. This is just a glimpse of the incredible views at the Serengeti National Park. There is no other place in the world where you can get such a feeling of wild expanse. This area is famous for the Great Migration, in which millions of wildebeest and zebra travel in giant herds, and predators follow closely behind. If you’d like to see one of nature’s greatest phenomena, timing is everything. Every year is slightly different, since the migration is dictated by the weather. But in general, the migration is in the southern Serengeti in December through March, in the western Serengeti in June and July, and heads up to the northern Serengeti and Masai Mara in Kenya in September through November.
Serengeti Safari Camp (Northern)

The Serengeti National Park, home to the Great Migration, hosts the largest concentration of wildlife in the world. Over a million wildebeest and zebra move through the ecosystem, followed by lions, leopards, cheetahs, hyenas, and wild dogs. The sheer numbers, combined with the daily drama of life and death, makes this an unforgettable experience. Serengeti Safari Camp was the first of its kind, designed to shadow the wildebeest migration as it covers hundreds of miles of the Serengeti National Park each year. Serengeti Safari Camp moves throughout the Serengeti National Park, changing location to follow the movements of the migration, although it will not move during your stay. Camp movements are pre-planned in an effort to be within reach of the herds, but this cannot always be guaranteed given the unpredictability of nature and weather conditions. Each year, this little camp casts off from Lamai Serengeti and begins its own odyssey. This camp has six large walk-in East African-style Meru tents, each with a comfortable bed and distressed iron bed-frame, a canvas rack for luggage and a leather-topped writing desk and side tables. The use of natural materials and colors in the bedrooms works really well and is simple, yet to stylish effect. A dressing area separates the beds from the bathroom area; with new eco-flush toilets and safari-style bucket showers. Hot and cold water are available on demand. Guests accommodations are arranged in a line with the main dining tent, fireplace and library/bar tent nearby located in the middle. Serengeti Safari Camp is one of the only places in the Serengeti where you will get a private vehicle and guide as standard for the duration of your stay, offering you the flexibility to enjoy game viewing at your own pace. Additionally, there are no limits to the timings of your game viewing – you can leave camp at dawn with a picnic lunch, and return at last light. Or you can take morning and evening drives returning to camp for lunch in between. The whole structure of the day is deliberately designed to cater for each person’s individual interests.

Included

Accommodation, meals, all drinks (except Champagne & premium wines), shared use of Serengeti Safari Camp, private vehicle and guide for game drives, bush picnics, laundry, transfers to/from nearest airstrip, park and concession fees

Amenities

Cell Phone Coverage, Ensuite Bathrooms, Laundry Included, Local Drinks Included, Recharge Facilities

Available at an Additional Cost

Champagne & premium wines, Hot Air Balloon safaris

5 APR 2020 – Kilimanjaro - Arusha

Serengeti North – Arusha
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